

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A discharge lamp includes a luminous bulb in which a luminous material is enclosed and a pair of electrodes are opposed to each other in the luminous bulb; and a pair of sealing portions for sealing a pair of metal foils electrically connected to the pair of electrodes, respectively. The pair of metal foils have a pair of external leads on the side opposite to the side electrically connected to the pair of electrodes, respectively. At least one of the pair of external leads is joined to a lead wire for external connection that is to be electrically connected to an external circuit by the plastic flow of a caulking member.